At present, the availability of medicines in CGHS dispensaries is not adequate. Due to the ongoing strike of the authorised local chemists of CGHS Delhi, the beneficiaries have been allowed to purchase the medicines from open market and get reimbursement of the expenses incurred on this account from the Govt. Arrangements have also been made for making reimbursement to CGHS pensioner beneficiaries in the concerned CGHS dispensary itself.

In the present context, steps have been taken to procure generic as well as proprietary medicines through the Hospital Services Consultancy Corporation (India) Limited. The supplies have already started arriving in CGHS Delhi.

Improvement in the management of AIIMS

2551. SHRI J. CHITHARANJAN:
SHRI GAYA SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken to improve the management of AIIMS; and

(b) the steps to be taken to provide a modern and hygienic mortuary in the AIIMS?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SHATRUGHAN SINHA): (a) and (b) The AIIMS has its own in house survey and inspection system to maintain the performance and efficiency of the various areas of the Hospital. There are regular visits by the Medical Superintendent and the Director to ensure this. The Resident Administrator oversees the day to day functioning of the hospital services. For augmentation of dead body storage capacity of mortuary at AIIMS, two more cold mortuary cabinets (of four body each capacity) are being acquired. Action has been initiated for renovation of the existing cold room. Establishment of centre for Forensic Medicine and Toxicology and modern mortuary have been included in the new Master Plan.